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TORIES RALLY TO M'ARTHUR

Whitewash Manipulated In Congress and in Press

By JOSEPH STAROBIN

A campaign to whitewash Gen. Douglas MacArthur was sprung on the American people yesterday.

Hugh Baillie, president of the United Press, which is under Scripps-Howard domination, interviewed the Allied Supreme Commander at his Tokyo headquarters. It was a transparent attempt to offset the growing popular anger with the dangerous prospect of a "soft peace" for Japan.

The specter that Japan's imperialist system would remain intact to make war upon another generation of Americans is so menacing that Dean Acheson, State Department Undersecretary, was compelled to rebuke MacArthur last Wednesday.

Prominent Republican reactionaries, like Sen. Kenneth Wherry of Nebraska, and Alfred Landon, the repudiated GOP presidential aspirant in 1936, came to MacArthur's defense. Similar support was heard from Democratic reactionaries like Sen. Albert Chandler of Kentucky.

And then the United Press interview popped up—as though by a careful prearrangement.



CHANDLER WHERRY

All yesterday afternoon United Press reporters were lining up congressional reactionaries, attempting to whitewash MacArthur. Even an ordinarily far-sighted progressive like Elbert Thomas of Utah was hooked into the campaign.

MacArthur's interview with Hugh Baillie repeats—in words—what has already been promised many times, namely that Japan is going to get a tough peace. But so far the actual deeds do not correspond with the promises.

As Rep. Ed V. Izac (D-Cal) declared:

"The fact still remains that the American people are not convinced that we're harsh enough toward either Germany or Japan. The evidence still remains that we endeavor to be so fair that we are probably making it necessary to fight another war 24 years from now."

The political general, smarting under rising American criticism, had evidently been well-prepared for the Baillie interview. As the UP president himself says:

"Occasionally he (MacArthur) fell silent to meditate, but mostly the answers came instantaneously. He senses the questions before the phraseology has actually been completed."

MacArthur's statements were largely a re-hash of past official promises, with a few variations.

He repeated again that the retention of the Japanese

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Dispatch From Tokyo

If MacArthur Commanded in Reich...

By ALFRED G. LARKE
Federated Press

TOKYO, Sept. 21.—Adolf Hitler's greatest mistake was in fighting against Eisenhower, Zhukov and Montgomery, instead of drawing MacArthur for an opponent. His second biggest mistake was in not palming himself off as the religious leader of his nation, as well as the political leader.

The United Nations would have won all the battles, just the same. But judging by what has happened in Japan, here is what Adolf could have brought about in Germany:

1. The U. S., USSR and Great Britain, having reached the Rhine and the Oder, would have quit fighting, largely at the insistence of the reactionary press in the U. S. crying to "bring the boys home" and asking what other civilized nation would

be left in Europe if Germany were destroyed.

2. Hitler would have fired his wartime cabinet and brought back the "liberals" and "moderates" who helped rule the nation when it was attacking only Austria and Czechoslovakia.

3. A few chiefs of staff would have had to commit suicide.

4. A campaign would be started in Germany and internationally to prove it was the militarists, not the industrialists, who forced Germany into war.

5. Hitler would be told he was going to be shorn of civil or temporal power but might remain as the spiritual leader of the Nazis and that all U. S. occupation orders would be issued to him, and through him to the German public.

6. The Supreme Commander of the Allied forces would bring occupation troops

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HITLER
Ex-Fuehrer

Witch-Hunt Head Evades Query on Leak to Hearst

By VIRGINIA GARDNER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Chairman John S. Wood (D-Ga), of the Un-American Activities Committee today revealed that he alone issued the subpoenas calling for officials of the Communist Party to appear before the committee next Wednesday. Asked who instigated the move, and whether it was not Rep. John Rankin (D-Miss.), Wood said, "Well, I don't think I ought to say."

"No resolution was introduced, and no investigation was voted on," he said. "I have the power to subpoena any witness I want to—or I'm assuming I have," he added.

The notorious Martin Dies followed the same procedure when he was chairman of the old Dies Committee.

Asked if there would not have to be a vote by the committee before it could launch any full-scale investigation of the Communist Party, or anything else, the chairman said, "No, the committee could refuse to hear the witnesses, if any member so moved and his motion carried. But as chairman I can call anyone I please."

The committee will meet Tuesday in executive session to vote as to whether the hearing Wednesday will be public or executive.

Wood said that the committee at its last meeting had some discussion of "the matter," but would say no more on the grounds that it was an executive meeting.

The interview was interrupted twice by telephone calls. Answering one, Wood said expansively, "Yes, John, yes, I certainly will," later explaining he was going to lunch with Rankin.

The other call concerned some brewer in Georgia. Wood used to be director of a brewers' institute in that state.

HEARST CLIPPING SHOWN

This reporter showed Rep. Wood a clipping from a Hearst newspaper, the *Journal-American*, describing the evidence in the report the committee received Sept. 12 from an investigator who had spent a couple of months in Hollywood.

The story was printed under a Sept. 5 by-line. He read it carefully.

"I wish I knew where they got this, lady," he said. "For the life of me I don't see where they got this. It was given me only yesterday. I haven't had time to study it."

The Sept. 12 report was in the form of a single copy, which Wood sent to be copied for each member.

In the House today Rep. Ellis E. Patterson, Los Angeles Democrat, called for an investigation of the fascist Gerald L. K. Smith. Smith recently presented a petition to Rankin urging the Hollywood investigation that Rankin has been promoting.



No Americans Allowed: This Japanese guard on the Tokyo still guards Hirohito. A warning against approaching the chief Japanese war criminal is in English—obviously intended for Americans.

Reactionaries Rally Behind MacArthur

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emperor was necessary "during the surrender and demobilizing steps."

When asked why the Japanese Diet was permitted to meet, the American general referred to it as a "representative group of the people." Its job, he said, was to disseminate the surrender terms and directives.

MacArthur insisted that there was no anti-American guerrilla activity, that all arms were being turned into the authorities and that these arms, together with munition making plants, would be destroyed.

"Japan industrially, commercially and militarily," he said, "was in a state of complete collapse." He painted a picture of exhaustion in Japan so grim that it almost causes sympathy, and said the "conditions of emergency were likely to be catastrophic."

He added that the punishment of Japan is just beginning, also declaring that he expected to remain in Japan for some time to come.

MacArthur, who was boomed as a GOP presidential candidate in 1944 and is still looked upon as a possible reactionary choice for 1948, denied any political ambitions.

"I am on my last public assignment, which, when concluded will mark the definite end of my service," he said.

As for the Japanese army, which is supposed to be fully demobilized by Oct. 15, MacArthur said it would be absorbed into the civilian population.

He denied that army officers were entering the Japanese police and

gendarmes, and he claimed that the secret military and political police would be abolished.

Attempting to contradict Australian reports that the American army was behaving as though it were a "tourist and shopping expedition," MacArthur spoke of the "general aloofness of the American soldier."

OMISSIONS

But the trouble with Baillie's questions, of course, was that they were not very searching or very important. In fact Baillie admitted in his own story that "my own observations are certainly in accord with his estimate" that is, with MacArthur's.

MacArthur declared, for example, that the war criminals trials would start shortly. But whether any of the big industrial leaders, the Zaibatsu, would be included was not even touched on.

Nothing was said about the resumption of political liberties in Japan; the whole impression is that the existing Japanese feudal-fascist system would simply be required to knuckle under to the United States, without any inner changes.

That, obviously, will not bring democracy in Japan at any time, and therefore means only the subordination of one imperialism to another.

Nothing was mentioned about the release of political prisoners in Japan—those who opposed the fascists for years—or the beginnings of normal political parties, opposition newspapers, etc.

Nothing, also, on Japanese trade union organization.

Nothing on agrarian reform, which is a critical precondition for democracy in Japan.

Nothing on the nationalization of the big industries under the auspices of a really democratic government.

MacArthur Orders Arrest of Doihara

TOKYO, Sept. 21 (UP). — Gen. Douglas MacArthur today ordered the immediate arrest of Gen. Kenji Doihara, new commander of the First Japanese Army and known as the "Lawrence of Manchuria" for his years of political espionage in North China. Doihara's record is being examined for war crimes.

MacArthur at the same time promulgated a 10-point ethical and professional code for all newspapers, magazines and periodicals. It forbade only "false or destructive" criticism of Allied powers and occupation forces, but ordered the elimination of all propaganda and strict adherence to the truth in news, editorials and advertisements.

France Raps Doom of 2 in Spain

The French Government has informed the Spanish Government that the French people are greatly disturbed by death sentences imposed on Sebastian Zapirain and Santiago Alvarez, outstanding Republican leaders, it was reported yesterday.

In London the International Brigade Association sent cables to the Spanish Minister of Justice and the British Embassy in Madrid de-

manding the freedom of Alvarez and Zapirain. The cables were signed by 94 members of Commons, nine of the House of Lords, the Bishops of Worcester, Chichester and Chelmsford.

Back Rally to Fight Franco, Urges Foster

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Next Monday night's Madison Square Garden meeting on Spain must be fully supported by all progressives, and particularly the members of the Communist Party. The gov-

ernment of the United Nations at San Francisco as well as at Potsdam have declared that the Franco government is a fascist government which is not only against the interests of the Spanish people but against the interests of the peoples of the world. Unfortunately this criticism was not followed up by deeds.

The governments of Great Britain and of our own country do not encourage the people to engage in mass action to demand the breaking of relations with Franco now. However, many Latin American countries have already broken relations with Spain and within the past few months there have been tremendous mass actions against Franco. Only a week ago the Cuban workers struck five minutes against Franco. In Mexico, Uruguay and Chile thousands upon thousands of outstanding individuals and government officials sent protests against Franco and requested the United States and Great Britain to break relations with Franco now.

Our own country and Great Britain are still negotiating with Franco for markets and are sending vital material to Spain not to feed the Spanish people but to help feed the thousands of German war criminals who today find a haven in Spain and are helping the German Gestapo, together with the Spanish police, to arrest the great underground leaders and the democratic people of Spain.

QUICK ACTION NEEDED

Santiago Alvarez and Sebastian Zapirain, two great leaders of the Spanish people, were recently arrested. They were tortured and sentenced to death.

It is still possible to save these two men by mass action and by tele-

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If M'Arthur Commanded in Europe

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in as a personal guard of honor, explaining it would be violation of international law to call them occupation troops.

7. About the 12th day of occupation, the supreme commander would announce how happy he was that the Fuehrer was obeying all commands, in contrast to the situation in other countries, where "the only leaders the people followed during the war were of necessity placed in jails." (MacArthur, regarding the emperor, Sept. 11, United Press dispatch.)

8. Three weeks after occupation the Gestapo would still be operating and Heinrich Himmler's lieutenants would be placed in charge of Belgium and Czechoslovakia because our army couldn't locate native

leaders and had to "preserve law and order."

What difference does it make, so long as we beat the Japanese? A lot. If Japan keeps the same bosses it has had for the past 50 years—indeed the past 10 centuries—how are the people to learn how to run their own government? And if the people have no say, who will keep the peace?

Taking full advantage of public pressure created by his good friends and political backers, the Hearsts, Howards, Patersons and McCormicks, Gen. MacArthur has gone out of his way, while slapping the Japanese emperor's stooges around, to blow kisses to the emperor himself—the man without whose authority everyone admits the stooges

could never have hoodwinked and bulldozed the Japanese people.

Lately the general has taken to announcing American policy in Japan without consulting either our State or War Departments. In Yokohama an American correspondent asked MacArthur's public relations officer, a general, why the Japanese "thought police" were not put out of operation. He claimed he knew an American citizen in Tokyo who had been taken into custody by these police a week after occupation. What was MacArthur going to do about it?

The general hesitated a bit, then said: "We intend to maintain law and order. Any other questions?" Law and order. Where did you hear that last? During a strike? During the Bonus March? In Greece?

OPA Sees 10 Million Jobless in June

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (UP).—Office of Price Administration economists have prepared a memorandum predicting that unemployment may reach a total of 10,000,000 by June, it was learned today.

Other government economists, including advisers to Reconversion Director John W.

Snyder, consider the OPA estimate too pessimistic. Snyder's own estimate is 8,000,000 unemployed by spring.

Meanwhile, it was learned that OPA is contemplating removal of price control from many items of food beginning Dec. 1. These would include items which were generally in

good supply. But the agency intends to continue price control over other food products which will continue in short supply through next spring.

Price chief Chester Bowles gave a hint of these plans in his speech before the National Industrial Conference Board last night.

Maryland CIO Paraders Put Tydings on Spot

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Hundreds of CIO delegates from Baltimore and other Maryland points and the Capital city paraded toward the White House today. They came to stir President Truman to action on his bills for \$25 a week unemployment benefits, full employment, the 65-cent wage minimum and FEPC. The parade followed a dramatic session in the Senate caucus room between 500 delegates and the Maryland congressional delegation at which a statement by CIO President Philip Murray was read, blasting the crippled unemployment compensation bill as a "travesty."

A little later, Sen. Millard Tydings (D-Md) who had appointed himself chairman, stalked out of the room amid boos when he objected to a speaker's statement that labor would remember at the next election how members of Congress voted.

The speaker, Robert Lamb, of the CIO legislative committee, was appearing as Murray's representative.

In the parade, Negro and white members of the CIO Shipbuilders and the National Maritime Union were in the van. The delegates marched four abreast, chanting "\$25 for 26 weeks" and "pass the full employment bill—we want jobs."

Three Maryland CIO leaders left an urgent request with President Truman to get busy on his program, reminding the President of Murray's warning that the reconversion bills were threatened by lack of administration support.

The committee members—Walter McMenamin, Shipbuilders' leader and president of the Baltimore CIO Council; Jack Flaherty, secretary of the same council, and Phil Kulinsky of the CIO Auto Workers, who heads the CIO Reconversion Committee in Maryland—didn't see Truman himself. Their statement was taken by George Drescher of the U.S. Secret Service.

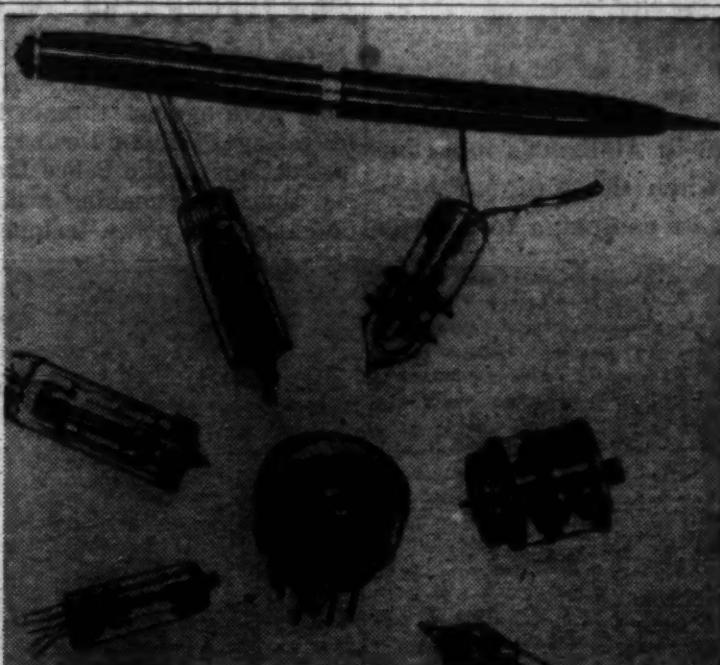
Tydings, Sen. George L. Radcliffe (D-Md), another foe of the reconversion measures, and six Maryland representatives sat at a table facing the mass delegation in the earlier caucus room meeting when Murray's message was read by Lamb.

More delegations are coming next week.

Phila. Transit Workers Ask \$2 Day Raise

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 21.—The CIO Transport Workers Union today notified the big Philadelphia Transportation Co., it will seek a \$2 a day wage increase in accordance with the national wage policy of the CIO as declared recently by Phillip Murray.

Douglas MacMahon, TWU secretary treasurer said the union is seeking to reopen negotiations under the present contract on Oct. 14 and has given a thirty day notice to that effect. The present contract runs from February 14, 1945 to the same date in 1946.



A Well Kept War Secret: These radio tubes were one of the war's secret weapons. They were the core of the 'V-2' fuse that guided shells to where they burst close to the target. The Navy has just revealed what they are like. They were used by the Americans for two and a half years against the Nazis and Japanese, and their construction was never discovered by the enemy.

Union Shows Each GE Worker Would Have \$14,700 Now If...

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—If General Electric or Westinghouse workers had received the same wartime consideration as their employers each of them would have emerged on V-J Day with \$14,700 in his pocket!

This astonishing revelation was unfolded at a War Labor Board hearing here today by David Scribner, general counsel of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America.

The UE is seeking increased wage minimums for the 200,000 workers it represents in General Electric and Westinghouse.

RICH RESERVES

Edward Matthews, international representative of UE, told the Board that "Westinghouse last year gross-

ed \$111,000,000 in profits before taxes, and put aside \$34,000,000 in reserves during the war years. The average net profit before taxes of the Westinghouse company for the years 1936-39 were somewhat less than \$18,000,000.

As a result of its profitable war operations, Matthews told the Board, the Westinghouse company has amassed \$127,000,000 in reserves and undistributed profits in 1944 as compared to \$43,300,000 in 1939. Joseph Dermody, another UE international representative, secretary

of the union's General Electric Conference, emphasized at the Board hearing that GE "stands on the threshold of being a billion dollar corporation."

GE'S HARVEST

"The company's profits before taxes," Dermody said, "were \$219,000,000 in 1944 as compared to the average for the years 1936-39 of over \$55,000,000. The profits after taxes of this company were \$62,000,000 in 1944, a 42 percent increase over its 1936-39 average."

As a result of its increased profits, Dermody stated, the company's reserves have increased \$93,000,000 since 1939 and now amount to \$262,000,000.

Ala. Official Promises Taylor Case Action

Attorney General Harwood of Alabama announced Thursday to a delegation of Negro and white Alabamans that he would request the Henry County Grand Jury to reconsider the evidence in the case of Mrs. Recy Taylor.

Mrs. Taylor, young Negro woman of Abbeyville, Ala., was kidnapped and raped by five young white men over a year ago. Harwood's statement was announced here yesterday by the Committee for Equal

Justice for Mrs. Recy Taylor, 112 E. 19th St.

The delegation was led by Howard Mooney, district coordinator of the CIO Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers of Bessemer, Ala. It included: Mrs. Caroline Collier Ballin, executive secretary of the Alabama Committee for Equal Justice, Birmingham; Miss Arena Streeter, representing the Southern Negro Youth Conference, Birmingham; Asbury Howard of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, Bessemer,

and Hosea Hudson, Local 2815 of the United Steelworkers of America.

The decision of Attorney General Harwood is undoubtedly a result of the tens of thousands of letters from all over the nation, demanding action on this case," Miss Glenda Sullivan, executive secretary of the Committee for Equal Justice for Mrs. Recy Taylor, said yesterday.

Miss Sullivan pointed out that Judge D. C. Halstead, who presided over the special Grand Jury which

met in February, will again preside. In February, Judge Halstead urged the jurors to consider the case on the basis of the evidence, without regard to race, creed or color.

"He should be commended on this stand," Miss Sullivan said. She added that the committee has wired organizations, unions and individuals, urging that they send telegrams to Judge Halstead asking him to request indictment from the Grand Jury.

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The New Witch-Hunt

WELL press-agented in advance by the Hearst press, the new Dies Committee, the so-called House Committee on un-American Activities, will open its first public hearings next Wednesday.

The committee has followed the trail blazed for it by its infamous predecessor. It has begun with an alleged investigation of the Communist Party.

That was the way the original Dies Committee started. It began by "investigating" the Communists—and before long included in its sweeping witch-hunt the Roosevelt administration and the entire labor movement.

That is the way every witch-hunt starts. The Palmer raids after World War I hit at the Communists and the foreign-born—and were designed to stem the rising militancy of the trade unions. The Fish Committee in 1930 was intended to stop the developing organization of the unemployed.

So today the new Dies Committee opens a three-ring circus to divert the nation from the urgent problems of jobs and the human side of reconversion.

It begins an anti-Communist fishing expedition which will soon encompass every trade union leader and every progressive figure in political life opposed to the union-busting, wage-cutting program of reaction.

It attempts to deflect public attention from the real danger of un-American activities designed to set veterans against workers and to stir up prejudice and discrimination against Negroes, Jews and other minorities.

These activities are carried on by the Hearst papers, which are the unofficial organ of the committee, and by its ranking Democratic member, Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi. The committee would have to look close to home if it were genuinely interested in un-American committee activities.

Let no one think that the committee will long concentrate on the Communist movement alone. This initial probe is a menace to everything democratic and progressive in American life.

That is why Rep. Vito Marcantonio, as president of the International Labor Defense, has protested against it vehemently. That is why every trade union and every progressive group must demand the end of the witch-hunt against the Communists and the speedy dissolution of the committee by the House.

Gen. MacArthur's Friends

GEN. DOUGLAS MacARTHUR'S friends seem to realize that he is in hot water with American public opinion. And they are making a determined effort to whitewash his record in Japan.

By Gen. MacArthur's friends we mean the crew of reactionary politicians and Munich-minded publishers which has never had much enthusiasm for a United Nations coalition determined to smash fascism—which has always hankered after an aggressive America First imperialism. We mean:

Sen. A. B. Chandler of Kentucky, who campaigned actively against the nation's war strategy of defeating Germany first, and who now claims that Undersecretary of State Acheson has "insulted" MacArthur.

Sen. Kenneth Wherry, the Republican whip in the Senate who has from the start been against any form of United Nations cooperation and who now charges that Acheson has "blackened the name" of MacArthur.

Alf Landon, the broken-down Republican hack who wanted to see Germany destroy the Soviet Union and who now in a statement defending MacArthur makes it clear that he wants a soft peace for both Germany and Japan.

Capt. Joseph Patterson, publisher of the New York Daily News, which has been pro-fascist for years and is now beginning to boost MacArthur for President in 1948.

These men are rallying around MacArthur because they consider him a political general. And they like his politics. They like his encouragement of the fascist forces in the Philippines. They like his failure to crack down on the war makers of Japan. They consider him a potential leader of reaction in America.

By the same token American progressives are forced to recognize the political issues raised by Gen. MacArthur's flamboyant press statements, his loud words and his soft deeds. They are not impressed by his promises—unaccompanied by action. They consider him unfit for the crucially important assignment of shaping the future of Japan.

HELP PUSH HIM OVER



Between the Lines

Questions to Mr. Truman

by Joseph Starobin —

IT SEEMS that President Truman was vacationing at Independence, Mo., last week-end, and you may have seen curious report of some Presidential remarks that deserve more careful attention. It seems, according to Bert Andrews in last Sunday's *Herald Tribune*, that the President was asked about China. Was it possible, a reporter inquired, that Ambassador Patrick J. Hurley is returning to Washington with news on relations between the Chungking regime and the Chinese Communists?



Mr. Truman replied that if he knew what Hurley was going to report, the general would not have to return. And then let us quote Mr. Andrews, who heads the Tribune's Washington bureau:

"The President added laconically—and significantly—that since Soviet Russia gave its recognition to the national government, the Communists have dropped out of the picture." At another point, the President is reported as saying that the danger of civil war has decreased now that the Soviet Union signed its friendship treaty with China.

A Revealing Light

All this may not sound exactly sensational, but I think it throws a revealing shaft of light on the President's mentality and the mind of the men around him.

American foreign policy will head this country toward disappointments and disasters unless there is complete clarity on the Soviet Union's role in world affairs, as well as the distinction between Soviet policy and the aims of democratic forces among whom the Communists of all lands play a part. On both of these matters, Mr. Truman's views are worth analysis.

First of all, it is a little amazing that the President of the United States should dismiss the Chinese Communists at the very moment that they are negotiating for a settlement of relations with the Kuomintang.

If Mr. Truman can dismiss them so easily, then is not Chiang Kai-shek inspired to do the same?

A remark of this kind borders on the irresponsible, when you

consider how vital Communist-Kuomintang unity is for the future of China and the future of Asia, and therefore the future of the United States also.

If there is not going to be an agreement between the Kuomintang and the Communists, the responsible executive officer of the American government ought to be more concerned.

If there is going to be a satisfactory agreement, then surely the Communists will play a decisive part in China's development. It is hard to see how the United States can simply dismiss them. For as Lawrence Rosinger, the Foreign Policy Association expert, points out in his new book, *China's Crisis*:

"...the Communists are deeply rooted in Chinese political life and their political stability and power arise from inside China. They must be considered a native political force stemming from Chinese conditions—a force which will have to be dealt with by the Central Government regardless of the position taken by the Soviet Union on questions relating to China."

An Old Delusion

Then there is another aspect, which flows from the quotation I have just cited. Mr. Truman is evidently under the familiar delusion that the Chinese Communists are simply marionettes of Soviet policy.

This view toward Communists of all countries is shared by reactionaries in both major parties. It is the stock-in-trade of the Social Democrats, the British Tories, and needless to say—the fascists in Berlin and Tokyo.

But very serious questions are raised about the conduct of American foreign policy if this oversimplified and erroneous view is maintained in such high circles as the White House.

Two things are involved. For how can you conduct relations of friendship with the Soviet Union, which is the greatest power in the world apart from the United States, if you are always acting on

the assumption that democratic movements in all other countries are inspired by Moscow?

And secondly, how can you conduct foreign relations with the European countries, China, the Philippines and many other lands if you act on the assumption that the Communists in each of these lands are somehow less than native to them?

Communists In Forefront

The war has proven that in every country the Communists were in the leadership of the resistance to Hitlerism. The Communists are in the mainstream of each country's democratic forces. They have a long, native tradition of almost a century in most of the advanced nations. In many European governments, they are sharing in governmental power. No stable government can be organized without them.

This is the truth which the war has shown and which Hitler had to learn. The postwar period will only enforce this truth because the Communists of all lands are indestructible.

Now then, can the foreign relations of the United States be conducted seriously with the Soviet Union on the assumption that the internal development of each country is being manufactured in Moscow?

I don't think so, unless the United States is going to take an open, anti-Soviet course, and try to accomplish in the forties what Hitler and Hirohito failed to accomplish in the thirties.

And can the United States conduct normal foreign relations with China, or Yugoslavia, or Italy or France unless it makes peace with the fact that in each country the Communists are a native, indigenous, force—part of those democratic forces which are the backbone of stability and the guarantee against fascism?

These are the serious questions raised by Mr. Truman's casual remark in Missouri. The competence of the Administration to guide our country will be determined by how these questions are answered.

Worth Repeating

DOOM OF JUNKERISM is what the Chicago Sun calls the confiscation and distribution of big landowners' lands in the Soviet-occupied zone of Germany, and concludes as follows in a leading editorial of this past week: Whatever may be said of the justice of individual expropriations, division of the estates serves democracy and peace in Germany.

Ben Davis: Symbol of New York People's Unity

A NEGRO mother wished her blessing on Councilman Ben Davis a few weeks ago when she called at his office. Her soldier son had been freed after 60 days under false arrest in Columbus, Ohio. She had come to thank Ben for his intercession with the Red Cross, Army officials and Columbus authorities, together with other leaders of the community. And another rung was wrought out in the battle for equality for our Negro servicemen in the armed forces.



A few months earlier, several Negro firemen called on the Councilman. They called to thank Ben for his almost single-handed efforts and success in ending the practice of the Fire Department of having special Jimcrow beds for Negro firemen. This fight resulted in the promotion—the first in 25 years—of two firemen who testified to the veracity of such a practice.

Many other "firsts" can be attributed to the presence of Councilman Ben Davis in the City Council; such as the unanimous adoption of his resolution demanding an end to Jimcrow in big league baseball; the indignant and unanimous resolution of the Council castigating Bilbo and Bilboism as an insult, not only to the Negro people, but to the entire citizenry of New York and the nation; his significant voice and vote in increasing the city budget which resulted in the long over-due wage increase to city employees.

With such "firsts" it is difficult to imagine New York's City Council without Ben Davis. It is a City Council today that is more attuned to the needs of the people and to the times we live in.

But it is precisely of this that the Dewey-Liberal reactionary Social-Democratic coalition wish to rob the people of New York. Bedecked in sheep's clothing, they cry to the four winds that their aim is "solely" to defeat Ben Davis "the Communist," and to assure "adequate" Negro representation in the City Council.

DOES the fact that Davis may not be re-elected disturb these self-proclaimed "champions of the Negro people" one whit? Of course not! It matters little to them whether or not there is any Negro representation in the City Council of New York. As the "best qualified representative" of the Negro people, in the words of the influential Negro newspaper, the Chicago Defender, and, as a Communist, whose very name symbolizes an uncompromising fight for complete equality of the Negro people, the reactionaries are finding it difficult to toss around the double-edged sword that Davis represents. Hence, their task is divided. On the one hand—give begrudging credit to his record. (What else can even they do?) On the other: confuse the issues of his reelection through red-baiting.

But this still does not fully expose their real aim. It is to foist "white supremacy" on one of the most important legislative councils of the land; it is this that they hope to achieve by robbing the people of New York

by Claudia Jones

of what the New York CIO Council termed when it endorsed Davis as being: "above all—the symbol of the unity between the Negro people and the people of all races" as well as an ardent and zealous fighter in the interests of labor. This is the chief significance of their summary entering of three other Negro candidates in the field, who have no possible chance of election. It is their hope by splitting the Negro vote and confusing the issue on red-baiting lines to eliminate Negro representation, and therefore give unbridled reign to the Bilbo attacks against Negroes, Jews, Italians and other minorities.

Failure of labor, the progressive white citizenry and the Negro people to recognize this cardinal truth could only result in a go-signal for the "white supremacy" forces of the nation!

IS IT too early to speak of Davis' reelection in such terms? On the contrary. Historically, in our country, the resurgence of reaction has come in the form of "white supremacy." It was true during the close of the Civil War, when the Black Hundreds instituted a reign of terror which all but wiped out the Negro people's gains following a war to unite the nation and to free it from chattel slavery. In the anti-Semitic, anti-Negro, pro-fascist slanders against America's minorities by the Bilbos and Eastlands, this same drive is evidenced today, particularly against the heroic and dauntless sons and veterans of the Negro people.

Davis represents the challenge to "white supremacy." He represents the challenge to all pro-fascists and reactionaries, and the struggle to reelect him might well be compared to the fight of the immortal hero of Howard Fast's Freedom Road, Gideon Jackson. As true as was Gideon's fight to stop the reactionaries of that day, so is Ben's reelection the stop-gap to the reactionary coalition who would run riot over the people's gains of the last decade!

Although there is this similarity, there are also key differences. Chief of these is the recognition that it is possible—nay necessary—to reelect Davis in this crucial period in which the full results of our victory, security and peace, and America's role and future history is being shaped.

Therefore, it might be stated, that Davis' reelection is the No. 1 national example of labor and the peoples' responsibility to maintain and extend the democratic wartime gains of the Negro people. If it is an example, then it is also a challenge. For in the deepest sense, maintenance and extension of these gains represent the essence of the nation's unity; the fruits of our hard-won victory, future peace and security.

IT IS this that underlies the widespread national response to his reelection by the Negro people themselves. Inherent in the response is not only that the Negro people desire that New York's City Council should not be without a Negro Councilman; it is that the Negro people are demanding that the

times we live in make it necessary for their representative to be a spokesman for their interests, particularly against racial discrimination and pro-fascist "white supremacy" ideologies and practices; as well as a spokesman for the interests of labor, the progressive white citizens and their organizations.

There are manifold lessons to be drawn from this development. One is that the Negro people are evidencing their deep political maturity and are serving notice to reaction that they will not be split on nationalistic or divisive-baiting lines. (The sanguine observation of the Chicago Defender editorial should be voiced for all who have ears to hear—namely that Negroes recognize "that red-baiting is akin to Negro-baiting.") Second is that such recognition is based on their experiences in their struggle for equality in the last decade.

The key aspect of this struggle was that labor and a significant section of white Americans played an outstanding role in supporting the demands of the Negro people—demands which they are learning more and more in their own fundamental self-interest!

This solidarity will have no greater test than in the coming councilmanic campaign around the reelection of Ben Davis.

As a fighter for Negro-white unity, as a champion of the interests of labor and all the people, Davis represents the symbol of the people's unity and their strength in the coming elections.

IT IS this fundamental understanding that has led the Communist Party to attach signal importance to the reelection of Davis in Manhattan, and to marshal all its forces for an all-out campaign to assure his reelection. For it is based on the recognition that Communists are the staunchest and uncompromising fighters for the rights of the Negro people, for the alliance of labor and the Negro people, against the fomentors of "white supremacy" and fascist reaction, and for achieving the complete fulfillment of the people's victory over Nazi-Japanese fascist militarism.

To consider Davis' reelection in these basic terms, therefore, is to recognize that this understanding must be brought to the Negro and white voters of New York, to make them grasp the deep significance of the oft-used phrase: that Davis is not only a fighter for the Negro people but of labor and the progressive white citizenry as a whole.

There is reason to feel confident that deepening of the understanding of the voters as to the issues involved, the Davis record and the symbol that his reelection represents, can be the best weapon that we can and must use to defeat the splitters in the Dewey-Liberal-Social-Democratic reactionary coalition who hope to rob the people of New York of the champion fighter and unity symbol in city government in the nation.

The people—Negro and white—did it before. They can do it again, under new conditions, with a recognition that it's an all-out fight; for our city's future and therefore, that of the nation!

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

'No Photos'

In His Thought

Long Island City,
Editor, Daily Worker:

Although not a member of the Communist Party, I have been for many years a reader of the Daily Worker. It seems to me that it's not necessary to have a special photographic department on your paper, as the photos you can get and run are not impressive enough to make up for the valuable material that could be put in their place.

PAUL CABANA.

(Ed. note: We're sure the majority of our readers will disagree with this view, as several surveys have shown.)

Wants Big
Drive for Housing

Bronx.

Editor, Daily Worker:

We suggest you have a widespread campaign for better housing immediately.

A few housing projects will definitely not solve the problem and we will not tolerate the existing conditions now that the war is over. There is no excuse for heatless apartments, ceilings on the verge of collapsing, poor plumbing systems, no building service, and landlords who have just given up, and show up only when rent is due.

If private enterprise cannot do the job, we don't care who does it as long as it is done—now! The state treasury surplus Governor Dewey is so proud of should be used to let the rest of us have pride in—decent homes.

FRANCES SYLVESTER,
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Hopewell Junction, N. Y.
Editor, Daily Worker:

On Saturday evening, Sept. 1, after several weeks of preparation, the guests at the Glen Hope Colony at Hopewell Junction, N. Y. ran a party in honor of Councilman Cacchione. Not only was the affair a social success, but the sum of \$228.25 was raised from among the guests to help the work to re-elect Councilman Cacchione.

The committee wishes to give special thanks to Miss Penelope Johnson, a violinist who contributed her talent and to Miss Yetta Solonch who raised \$16 by "setting" hair for the women guests.

A. GOODMAN,
For the Committee

Appreciation
To Commander

Naples, Idaho.
Editor, Daily Worker:

I have read the Veteran Commander's column daily ever since I started reading the Daily Worker. The course of events sure proved that his interpretations were and still are correct. Of course there is a reason for this, and the reason is Marxist Science.

By weighing each situation in its military significance but also its historical and economical meanings. He has shown us why fascism did the things it did and why the forces of the United Nations acted as they did. What I am trying to say is that by his Marxist understanding he arrived at the correct conclusions, and that we appreciate his helpfulness.

PETER P. PIEKARSKI.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

Economic Issues

TAX policy is a phase of government policy in which the Truman Administration tends to regress from the progressive traditions of the Roosevelt Administration. Sharp battles are developing in Congress over this issue.



by Labor Research Ass'n

While not specifying details, the message left little doubt that the main relief intended was for business, the theory being that if you increase profits, business will boom and everything else will take care of itself.

The tax line of the Administration has also been revealed in reports in such business organs as the Kiplinger letter and the Wall Street Journal.

LOOKING toward a postwar federal budget of \$25 billion, the Administration, according to these reports, would like to raise as much as two-thirds of this, or \$16 billion, through the individual income tax. Since \$16 billion is about the present yield of individual taxes, substantial tax relief would be provided only for the corporations and business generally. At least this is the business program.

Clearly, the Administration has swallowed a fairly large dose of the tax propaganda of the National Association of Manufacturers and the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

It is accepting too easily their proposals to increase profits by eliminating excess profits taxes, reducing corporation income taxes, exempting dividends from taxes and the like.

The Big Business theory is that lowering taxes and increasing profits will stimulate expansion of production and employment. Such a theory, valid under conditions of true competitive capitalism, is inapplicable under

Sharp Tax Battles Immediately Ahead

existing monopoly conditions. The Roosevelt Administration rejected it on the basis of the experience of the 1930 decade when low corporate taxes failed to prevent the depression or bring recovery in a reasonable time.

A short-lived postwar boom is inevitable whatever action is taken on corporate taxes. It is the effect of these taxes on the long pull that is the important thing. The only possible hope of full employment in the post-war period lies in a better balance between consumption and production, between workers' and farmers' income and corporate profits. The issue lies between high but unstable profit rates and moderate but stabilized profit rates; between an unrestricted development of monopoly and such reasonable curbs and controls as are socially necessary.

IN THE immediate future government budgets will still be very high and for that reason only a transitional tax bill providing quite limited reductions is feasible. Labor will vigorously oppose any immediate reduction in corporate income or excess profits taxes.

Business, especially Big Business, has already been well taken care of by the multitude of refund provisions and loopholes in the existing laws. It is the low income workers who are now desperately in need of tax relief.

An outline for such relief was set forth this week in the CIO's program for immediate tax revision. It supplements the basic peoples' tax program described in our recently published *Labor Fact Book*.

5-Minute General Strike In Cuba Hits Franco Tie

HAVANA, Sept. 21 (ALN).—The Confederation of Cuban Workers this week conducted a five-minute general strike to protest continued relations between this country and Franco Spain and to demand recognition of the Spanish Republican government. The strikers demanded that the Franco regime free Santiago Alvarez and Sebastian Zapirain, two Republican leaders who returned to Spain recently and who have been seized by the police. All Cuban industry was paralyzed by the strike.

At the same time, a demand that Cuba break all relations with the Franco regime was voiced here this week by a convention for the Spanish republic.

Participating in the convention

Baltimore to Mark CP Anniversary

BALTIMORE, Sept. 21.—The anniversary of the Communist Party will be celebrated by a mass meeting on Friday, Oct. 12, at Elks Hall, 1528 Madison Avenue, at 8 p.m.

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were 2,415 delegates representing 865 organizations in all walks of Cuban life.

The convention protested against Franco and Falange terror in Spain and voted to aid the underground guerrilla movement. It set aside Oct. 12 as a day of protest against Falangist terror.

The sessions were presided over by Sen. Agustin Cruz, chairman of the Committee for Republican Spain and a leader of President Ramon Grau San Martin's Cuban Revolutionary Party.

Senate president Suarez Rivas declared that "Cuba should take the lead in the continent in the fight against Francoism."

Among the leading organizations participating in the convention was the Confederation of Cuban Workers.



THIS TINY FOUNDLING was discovered by Mrs. Fred Kahn of Seattle on her doorstep, asleep in a wooden box. Mrs. Kahn had been looking for a baby to adopt, so everyone is happy.

Soviet Press Plays Up Italian Colonies Issue

By M. S. HANDLER

MOSCOW, Sept. 20 (Delayed) (UP)—Foreign Commissar V. M. Molotov's statement in London that the Soviet Union aspired to trusteeship over one or more of Italy's African colonies is regarded here as a turning point in the history of the Soviet Union.

The pronouncement was given great prominence in all Soviet newspapers. The USSR's interest in the disposition of Tripolitania, Eritrea and the Dodecanese Islands is regarded here as a natural consequence of the principle of collective trusteeship agreed upon at San Francisco.

Acceptance of that principle established a legal claim which the Soviets have decided to exercise.

Whether the Foreign Ministers' Council decides in favor of collective or individual trusteeship, it is now clear that the Soviet Union will stand upon what it regards as its legal rights in the settlement of the Mediterranean and North African questions.

Having accepted the principle of collective trusteeship, the other big powers have no juridical basis to deny the Soviet claims. It is reasoned here, except through some hard bargaining.

The participation of the Soviet Union in Africa would introduce powerful new ferments into the imperialistic structure everywhere, because of the Soviet concepts of racial and cultural equality in dealing with undeveloped peoples.

WHAT'S ON

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New Zealand CP Welcomes Action of U. S. Communists

The Auckland, New Zealand, Communist Party organ, Peoples Voice, reporting the reconstitution of the American Communist Party, wrote:

"America's potentialities for good or for evil in the maintenance of postwar peace are so tremendous that progressives all over the world will learn with satisfaction that the American Communist Party is once more throwing its full weight into the fight against reaction and for a peaceful and prosperous postwar America."

Report Partial Accord By Chiang and Yenan

Partial agreement may have been reached in current negotiations between Chiang Kai-shek's Kuomintang and the Chinese Communist Party, although no official statement has been made, it was indicated yesterday.

Ta Kung Pao, authoritative independent Chungking newspaper, on Thursday published terms of an accord to avoid civil war. It reported that this had resulted from discussions between Chiang and Communist leader Mao Tse-tung.

The equal position of the Kuomintang and Communist parties is reported recognized, and "enduring cooperation" under Chiang's leadership pledged. Both parties are to recognize "each other's position" and the "legal status of all parties and groups." Until now Chiang has held out for one-party dictatorship in the so-called "period of tutelage."

Ta Kung Pao further states that a conference of all political parties and non-partisan groups is to be called to "promote a general program for peace and national reconstruction, and to draw up regulations for participation in the government by all parties and groups."

9 PARTICIPANTS

An earlier Ta Kung Pao report said that this conference would be attended by nine representatives from each group: Kuomintang, Communist, Democratic League and "non-partisan."

The last-named would undoubtedly reflect the Kuomintang position.

The Communists and democrats in government China want immediate establishment of a representative government. The proposal, as cited by Ta Kung Pao, is limited to "regulations for participation," and is likely further to be limited by the checkmate balance of democratic and anti-democratic forces.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Major questions are left for later decision. These include disposition of the Communist-led armies and attitude toward the democratic local governments established in areas that these armies liberated.

The freeing of political prisoners is also postponed as well as consideration of industrial questions such as nationalization.

Other developments reported yesterday include:

1—Yenan reported that Communist-led troops had recovered 156 cities in nine provinces from Aug. 11 to Sept. 11 and that 90,000 puppets and 200 Japanese had been taken prisoner, while another 30,000 puppets surrendered.

2—Anti-imperialist Japanese, headed by Susumu Okano, chairman of the Emancipation League, left Yenan for forward areas. In farewell speeches, Chinese Communist leaders expressed the hope that the democratic Japanese will now go back to Japan to conduct education.

3—Pertinax reported from Washington that other Allied Governments—China, the Soviet Union, Australia, Britain, New Zealand, France, the Netherlands—may be invited to participate in the occupation of Japan.

Hits Sending Foes of Poland To Palestine

Reported indications from London that the British Government plans to repatriate to Palestine 100,000 Poles now in England was sharply assailed yesterday by Milton J. Goell, Democratic-American Labor Party candidate in Brooklyn for City Council.

Goell, an active member of the American Jewish Congress, challenged Great Britain's "magnanimity" as a "callous rebuff to the aspirations of the Jewish people."

These 100,000 Poles, according to printed reports from London, refuse to return to Poland.

"If anyone is to be admitted to Palestine," Goell said, "it is the Jewish people, and that seems to be a hard thing to accomplish for His Majesty's Government."

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Shipyard Head Bars Conciliator

Mass picket lines covered the Atlantic Basin Iron Works shipyard over on the Brooklyn waterfront for the third successive day yesterday.

Not only has Bernard Moran, president of the Atlantic Works, refused to meet with a union committee to discuss the workers' grievances, but up to late yesterday he had also avoided seeing federal conciliators representing the U. S. Labor Department.

Following futile efforts of a union delegation headed by John Green, international president of the Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, CIO, to see Moran, the U. S. Conciliation Service responded to the union's appeal for an attempt to bring Moran into contact with the strike.

A "research director" for Moran, one Angelo Rizzo whom strikers identify as a "glorified butler," told the U. S. Conciliator that Moran could not see him. In addition, a member of the Strike Steering Committee reported yesterday, Rizzo told the government representative that he "did not know where

Moran lived."

A delegation of the strikers, who are members of Local 39, IUMSW, went into conference yesterday with the U. S. Conciliation Service to discuss their grievances.

Moran's refusal to meet with government representatives was termed by the Strike Steering Committee as "characteristic of his record and attitude."

The union, which was certified by the National War Labor Board as far back as 1938, did not obtain a signed contract with Moran until 1943—after the Navy Department seized the Atlantic Basin Shipyards to force Moran to abide by the law. Following signing of the contract, Moran proceeded to violate all its provisions, so that the stored up grievances of his men made strike action inevitable.

Only the responsibility which the workers felt toward the war itself prevented a strike previously, a union spokesman explained.

Say Yugoslavia May Get Trieste

LONDON, Sept. 21 (UP).—British sources said today that the Big Five probably will give the city of Trieste to Yugoslavia. Almost identical dispatches in the London Daily Express and Daily Mail said that "diplomats in touch" with the foreign ministers' conference believed Marshal Tito's claim to Yugoslav political control of Trieste would be conceded.

Though the question has not been decided definitely, the dispatches said, the wording of a directive to experts studying the question indicated that Tito would get the port "subject to arrangements safeguarding use of its facilities and transport arrangements by all nations."

"These the Yugoslav Government has expressed its willingness to grant," the Daily Express said.

It now appears that the port would be internationalized for customs-free use by all nations while administered by the Yugoslavs.

The apparent compromise solution to the Trieste problem was reported as the foreign ministers of the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China debated peace terms for Finland and Romania.

It was understood that Soviet proposals were based chiefly if not entirely on the armistice terms which the Soviets offered the two countries.

Britain has added a few unrevealed proposals of her own for

Detroit AFL, CIO Labor Shocked By Teamsters' Okay for Jeffries

By HARRY FAJNARU

DETROIT, Sept. 21.—The Teamsters Joint Council No. 43, AFL, pulled a Benedict Arnold on the labor movement here when it endorsed Mayor Edward Jeffries, Jr., for re-election this week.

This shameful endorsement of a man who is known as labor's worst enemy in the city has shocked the rest of the AFL as well as the CIO here. It is interpreted as a new tactic of Frank X. Martel, president of the Detroit and Wayne County Federation of Labor, who is using the Teamsters in order to maneuver the Labor Council itself into supporting Jeffries.

Jeffries has the endorsement of organizations, professional groups, etc.

Says Nazis Still in Best Jobs in U. S. Zone

Nazis are still holding all the best industrial jobs in the American-occupied Mannheim area, according to German Communist leader Paul Schreck, former Reichstag deputy. Schreck, quoted by Raymond Daniell in yesterday's New York Times, charged that even when fired from one executive job they were often rehired in another.

One Nazi he mentioned even got a better salary the second time.

Mannheim workers believe the military government's officers are too prone to take the word of a factory chief, often an active Nazi, and too reluctant to try to develop anti-fascists as executives.

Daniell, in the second of two hard-hitting articles, revealed that

many American officers openly flout the Allied de-Nazification policy. Furthermore, de-Nazification of the clergy is left to German church authorities.

Of 19 industrial firms in Munich, he said, six are still operating under the old management, six are in process of purification while seven have been cleared of Nazi managers.

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In this CORNER

Two Items From Argentina—And the Story Behind Them

Bill Mardo

Earlier this week a little dispatch was filed over the United Press ticker from Buenos Aires. It announced the arrival there of Bobby Jones to play a series of exhibition golf matches in Argentina.

Yesterday another news item from the Argentine capital disclosed that five top tennis players from this country have been invited to participate in the Argentine Open Tournament later this year. Those invited were: Frank Parker, Billy Talbert, Elwood Cooke, Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke, and Pauline Betz.

Two innocent looking dispatches—but surely the hand of Argentina's fascist government is behind these bits of news.

It's our opinion that the sudden flurry of invitations to prominent American sports figures is a conscious maneuver on the part of Col. Juan Peron to win popular support from sports fans both here and in fascist-controlled Argentina.

It's no mere coincidence that the Argentine military clique chose sports as one means of bridging the hostile sentiments all democratic Americans feel for the Argentine dictators. Perhaps Peron aims to emulate the Hitler technique which succeeded in bringing international sports teams to the Berlin Olympics at the same moment that Germany was preparing to war against the very nations she invited to compete against her in the field of sports.

Wouldn't it be the height of stupidity if we let the Argentine government get away with their obvious camouflage? And the Argentine anti-fascists who daily risk their lives in public demonstrations against their government—how shocked they must be to see our most revered golfer tour the links—and our ace tennis stars preparing to compete in a tournament which is unquestionably authorized by the Peron gangsters.

While it's true that the U.S. still maintains diplomatic relations with Argentina—nobody in this country has any doubts about the nature of the government which is feared by all democratic countries in Latin America, and which flagrantly gave refuge to German agents and industrialists.

And it's from this point of view that American sports circles must become gravely concerned with the Argentine-tendered invitations to our most noted athletes.

Bobby Jones was probably unaware of the implications behind his exhibition matches. But certainly the aforementioned five tennis stars should be urged not to play in the tennis tourney.

By snubbing the Peron-sponsored bids, American athletes can publicly discredit Hitler's Argentine stooges. And so will they also be giving heart to the Argentine democratic forces.



COL. JUAN PERON

Depends on Age, Says Keller

Charley Keller, the muscular Maryland farm boy who swung to fame in New York Yankee flannels, predicted yesterday that the success of returning service stars depended entirely upon their age and whether they had been able to play ball while in uniform.

"If they have been completely out of baseball for much more than two years I wouldn't give a nickel for their chances," he said.

"You lose those legs and you lose that timing and, brother, that's all."

The swarthy slugger, who drew the nickname of "King Kong" because of his menacing manner at the plate should know. For Charley spent two years in the Merchant Marine and found on returning to the Yankee outfield last month that even at 29 he had plenty of difficulty.

"It wasn't any fun, I'll tell you, and unless a fellow was pretty young his chances are slim," he said. "My legs gave me a lot of trouble and I can't hit a watermelon with a violin because I've lost that knack of timing the pitch as it comes at me."

The stocky, 185-pound University of Maryland graduate believes, on the other hand, that by playing service ball the returning stars probably lengthened their major league careers.

"They were fortunate in the respect that they kept in shape

and at the same time didn't have the daily drudgery that goes with major league ball. Of course I love the game but let me tell you it has its ups and downs just like anything else."

"But on those Merchant Marine boats you don't get a chance to play baseball—yet I really enjoyed it," he added.

Keller made five long trips during his tour as an ensign in the Maritime Service, where he was a purser and pharmacists mate. He journeyed to Belgium, England, France, to Pearl Harbor by way of the Panama Canal and into the Marianas. His ship carried troops and cargo.

Charley is simply trying to get back into the feel of competition by playing out this season and is looking forward to 1946 when he'll be patrolling the outfield alongside Joe DiMaggio once again.

"Maybe it will be different then," he smiled.

Army Seeks Better Artificial Limbs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (UP).—The Army is undertaking a research program to improve artificial limbs for handicapped veterans, Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, Army Surgeon General, announced today.

The army's artificial limbs have been the target of complaints for some time.

Pennant Races At a Glance

AMERICAN LEAGUE

| | Won | Lost | G.R. | To Play |
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| DETROIT | 85 | 63 | — | 6 |
| WASHINGTON | 85 | 66 | 1½ | 3 |

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| | CHICAGO | ST. LOUIS | WON | LOST | G.R. | TO PLAY |
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| CHICAGO | 91 | 55 | — | 8 | | |
| ST. LOUIS | 89 | 57 | 2 | 8 | | |

Foxx Announces His Retirement

BOSTON, Sept. 21 (UP).—Jimmy Foxx, one of baseball's mightiest sluggers, announced his retirement from the game yesterday—for the second time—and said he would become sales promotion manager of a Cambridge baking concern as soon as the season ends.

Foxx, now 37, said that among his new duties for the Hathaway Bakeries, Inc., would be a 15-minute weekly radio talk to boys. His salary was not disclosed but is reputed to be between \$10,000 and \$20,000 a year. Foxx will finish the season with the Philadelphia Phillies for whom he has alternated between first base and the pitcher's box.

Ike to Be Out For Six Weeks

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 20 (UP).—Lightweight champion Ike Williams of Trenton, N. J., suffered internal muscular injuries in his losing fight with Sammy Angott Wednesday night and will be out of action for a month or six weeks, a Boxing Commission doctor said yesterday.

Games Today:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York at Boston.
Washington at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at Detroit.
Chicago at Cleveland.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Boston at Polo Grounds (2:30).
Philadelphia at Ebbets Field (2:30).
Pittsburgh at Chicago.
Cincinnati at St. Louis (night).

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00 WEAF—First Piano Quartet
WOR—News; Talk; Music
WJZ—Kogen Orchestra
WABC—Warren Sweeney, News
WMCA—News; Music Box
WQXR—News; Opera Arias
11:05 WABC—Let's Pretend—Sketch
11:30 WEAF—Smilin' Ed McConnell
WOR—Hockey Hall
WJZ—Vagabonds Quartet
WABC—Billie Burke Show
WMCA—Saturday Serenade
WQXR—String Music
11:45 WJZ—Chet Gaylord, Songs

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00 WEAF—News; Consumer Time
WOR—House of Mystery
WJZ—Plano Playhouse
WABC—Theater of Today
12:15 WJZ—Los Andrinis Music
12:30 WEAF—Atlantic Spotlight
WOR—News; The Answer Man
WJZ—News; Home and Garden
1:00 WEAF—Farm and Home Hour
WOR—Jack Bundy's Album
WJZ—Saturday Night Swing
WABC—Grand Central Station
1:15 WOR—Lopez Orchestra
WMCA—Health Talk
1:25 WABC—News Reports
1:30 WEAF—The Veterans' Advisor
WOR—Pauline Alpert, Piano
WJZ—Round-Up Time
WABC—Lawrence Orchestra
WMCA—The Captain Tim Healy's
WOR—Musical Quiz
1:45 WEAF—The American World—
Edward C. Tomlinson from
Santiago, Chile

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00 WEAF—To Be Announced
WOR—Musical Quiz
WJZ—To Be Announced
WABC—Football Game
WMCA—News; This Is Our Town
2:15 WMCA—Christian Science Talk
2:30 WOR—Leo Egan, News
WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—Music of Our Time
2:45 WEAF—Football: Pittsburgh vs.
Illinois
WOR—Football: Minnesota vs.
Missouri
WJZ—Football: Purdue vs. Marquette
2:00 WOR—This Is Halloran
3:30 WMCA—News; Novena Service
WQXR—Request Music
4:00 WMCA—Ray Smith, Songs
WQXR—News; Symphony Music
4:30 WOR—Variety Musicals
WABC—Lawrence Orchestra
WMCA—News; Music
5:00 WOR—Uncle Don
WABC—To Be Announced
WQXR—Musical Milestones
5:15 WOR—Return to Duty
5:30 WEAF—John W. Vandercook, News
WJZ—Ellington Orchestra
WABC—Treasury Bandstand
WMCA—News; Jerry Baker, Songs
5:45 WEAF—Variety Musicals
WOR—Lanny and Ginger, Songs
WJZ—Milton Cross Show

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00 WEAF—Lyle Van, News
WOR—Paul Schubert

From the Press Box

Senators Bow, 5-3; Tigers Trail by 1½

The New York Yankees jolted Washington pennant hopes yesterday when they defeated the faltering Senators, 5 to 3, to drop the Nats a game and a half behind the league-leading Detroit Tigers.

Chunky Snuffy Stirnweiss, the one-time North Carolina football star, hit his tenth homer of the year in the third inning to provide the ultimate winning margin and give the Yanks their sixth straight win over the Senators and their 14th in 21 starts.

First man up in the third, and with the Senators heartened after surging back to knot the score at three-all, Stirnweiss laced the ball just over the low right field wall at the 266-foot mark, barely inside the foul line.

That was the blow that broke the tension-bound Senators' backs. It put them a game and a half behind the idle Tigers.

Now, with only three games remaining against the athletics, their prospects are none too bright. The tigers have but six left to play, and any combination of four Detroit victories or Senators losses will give the Bengals the pennant.

Bill Zuber, scoring his fifth win against 11 losses, went all the way as the Yanks swept the two-game Senator series. He gave up 12 hits but stranded just that many Washington base runners. The loser was Walt Masterson, who had won his lone start since his naval discharge. Masterson succeeded Johnny Nigeling in the second inning and himself gave way to Marino Pieretti in the eighth.

The Yankees, just as in Thursday's victory, went ahead in the first inning when with one away Bud Metheny walked, and after another out, Charley Keller walked. Nick Etten then drove a three-one pitch into the lower right field

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Nigeling, Masterson (2), Pieretti (8) and Ferrell; Zuber and Drescher.

stand for a 350-foot homer, scoring Metheny and Keller ahead of him. It was his 17th of the season.

The Senators came roaring back with two in the second on four hits. George Binks started with a double to left and scored on Dick Ferrell's single to right. Gil Torres fanned but Mike Kreevich, pinch-hitting for Nigeling, singled to right to send Ferrell to third. George Case popped out and then George Myatt beat out a slow roller that sent Ferrell home.

The Yankees halted the rally there but the Senators challenged again in the third. With two out, Binks singled to right for his second straight hit, and Ferrell put him on second with a single off Zuber's glove. Torres singled to short left, sending Binks home with the tying run, but Zuber bore down to fan Masterson on a three-two pitch.

Then came Stirnweiss—and the homer that proved to be the winning run—in the Yankee third.

To help it along, the Yankees added another run in the seventh. Stirnweiss led off with a perfect bunt and was sacrificed to second. Russ Derry Fanned and Keller was passed intentionally. Etten then singled Stirnweiss home but Masterson stopped it there.

Etten's three-run homer made him the only American leaguer to pass the 100 runs-batted-in mark. His one-run single in the seventh boosted his runs batted into 102.

RADIO

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| WMCA—570 Ke. | WEVD—1330 Ke. |
| WEAF—600 Ke. | WNEW—1180 Ke. |
| WOR—710 Ke. | WLJB—1190 Ke. |
| WJZ—770 Ke. | WHN—1050 Ke. |
| WNXC—830 Ke. | WOV—1290 Ke. |
| WABC—830 Ke. | WBNY—1480 Ke. |
| WINS—1000 Ke. | WQXR—1560 Ke. |

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| WJZ—Wifrid Fleisher, News | WABC—Quincy Howe, News |
| 6:15 WEAF—Music of Manhattan | WJZ—Gangbusters—Play |
| WOR—Strictly Personal | WABC—Hi Parade |
| WJZ—Sports—Harry Wismer | WMCA—News; Shoot the Works |
| WABC—People's Platform | WQXR—Dennis Plummer—Talk |
| WMCA—Recorded Songs | 9:30 WEAF—Request Music |
| 6:30 WOR—Fred Vandeveren, News | 9:30 WEAF—Can You Top This? |
| WJZ—Hank D'Amico's Sextette | WOR—The Whisper Men |
| WMCA—Racing Results | WJZ—Flight to the Pacific |
| 6:45 WEAF—Art of Living—Dr. Norman Vincent Peale | WMCA—Recorded Music |
| WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax | 9:45 WABC—Saturday Serenade |
| WJZ—Labor—U.S.A. | 9:55 WEAF—Quick Quiz |
| WABC—The World Today—News | 10:00 WEAF—Judy Canova Show |
| WMCA—Talk—Jack Shafer | WOR—Theater of the Air |
| 6:55 WABC—Robert Trout, News | WJZ—Hoosier Hop |
| 7:00 WEAF—Our Foreign Policy | WMCA—News; Recorded Music |
| WOR—Guess Who—Quiz | WQXR—News; Record Album |
| WJZ—John After Victory | 10:15 WABC—Report to the Nation |
| WABC—Play—with Helen Hayes | WJZ—Hayloft Hoodown |
| WQXR—News; Favorite Music | WMCA—Frank Kingdon |
| 7:15 WEAF—Correspondents Abroad | WQXR—Gaslight Galettes |
| 7:30 WEAF—Noah Webster Says—Quiz | 10:45 WABC—Talk—Lord Halifax |
| WOR—Arthur Hale | WMCA—Glen Gray Records |
| WJZ—Hayes Orchestra | 11:00 WEAF—WABC—News; Music |
| WABC—America in the Air | WJZ—WOR—News; Music |
| WQXR—Concert Music | WQXR—News; Just Music |
| 7:45 WEAF—The Answer Man | 11:30 WEAF—I Sustain the Wings |
| 8:00 WEAF—Life of Riley, with William Bendix | 12:00 WEAF, WJZ—News; Music |
| WOR—Frank Singiser, News | WABC, WMCA—News; Music |

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| WJZ—To Be Announced | WABC—To Be Announced |
| WQXR—News; Symphony Hall | 8:15 WOR—Music for Remembrance |
| 8:30 WEAF—Truth and Consequences | 8:30 WOR—Detroit Symphony |
| WOR—Map From G-2—Play | WJZ—Man From the Town—Play |
| WABC—Mayor of the Town—Play, With Lionel Barrymore | WMCA—News; Recorded Music |
| WMCA—News; Recorded Music | 8:35 WABC—Ned Calmer, News |

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

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| 9:00 WEAF—National Barn Dance | WJZ—Gangbusters—Play |
| WJZ—To Be Announced | WABC—Hi Parade |
| WMCA—News; Shoot the Works | WJZ—Dennis Plummer—Talk |
| WQXR—Dennis Plummer—Talk | 9:30 WEAF—Request Music |
| 9:30 WEAF—Can You Top This? | 9:30 WEAF—Judy Canova Show |
| WOR—The Whisper Men | WOR—Theater of the Air |
| WJZ— | |

Jewish Theatre Ensemble Seeks to Give Life to Ailing Yiddish Stage

By LOUISE MITCHELL

The Yiddish theater is divided into two unequal parts. The larger portion covers the Second Avenue circuit and stretches of Brooklyn and the Bronx whose main fare is something like *The Rabbi's Daughter's Second Divorce* or *A Pants Presser's Delights*. To be more exact, just this week, the Bronx saw *A Wedding in Oklahoma* and *A Wedding in Fallsburg*—no joking.

These plays are spoken neither in Yiddish nor English but in some cheap conglomeration, while their themes as seen from the titles are considered "shund" (trash). Even the aura of pretense is missing. There are no standards, no taste. The bulk of the Yiddish theatre-goers sustains this type of play which combines Broadway burlesque and vaudeville for the price of one ticket. On the whole the young people in Yiddish families seldom attend, seeking instead the films and Broadway stage.

The other portion of the Yiddish theatre comprises small struggling groups which look beyond the horizon of the box office in an effort to give the Yiddish world a share of its contemporary and classic culture. These groups flash upon the scene ever so often, do a brilliant job for one or two seasons, and then go down in heroic defeat.

A HARD GRIND

There's a classic of Yiddish theater entitled, *It's Hard to Be a Jew*. Well, it's even harder, it seems, to be a Jewish theater trying to keep the board covered with plays that enrich Yiddish life and keep performers, playwrights and directors in coffee and cigarettes.

Morris Schwartz tried to do it for years and we mean as far back as 1920. In more recent times Schwartz has fallen somewhere between the two kinds of Yiddish presentations. This season Schwartz will present the brilliant Peretz play, *The Three Gifts*.

All who saw the Artef players treasure the experience because the plays were worth spending the evening with and the presentations were a coalescence of true theatrical arts. And though the Artef won wide acclaim from many circles, including the English language press, the failure to get good plays year after year and the mounting economic burdens on the small group finally rung down the curtain on Artefniks' valiant efforts.

Last season, Ben-Ami succeeded partially in offering several worthwhile plays but here again "the system" finally closed the Second Avenue Theatre doors. No mention has been made as yet of his return to New York City this season.

The Yiddish theatre, not unlike dramatic art in America today, is sick and ailing. It is suffering the fate of all national expression under capitalism.

MUST BE SUBSIDIZED

Last year also saw the presentation of a delightful satire *The Downfall of Haman* by a group of Artefniks directed by Benjamin Zemach. And though the play was offered under difficult circumstances, such as the small hall in the Fraternal Clubhouse, inadequate stage facilities and all the



BENJAMIN ZEMACH



MAURICE SCHWARTZ

woes of weekend performances, the group made an outstanding success.

The group, which calls itself the Yiddish Theatre Ensemble, is partially supported by the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, which realized that a people's theater must be partially, at least, subsidized. Otherwise it's *A Wedding in Fallsburg* and little else for the Yiddish theatre. And the sooner this idea is

understood by unions and other mass organizations, the quicker will art in general, whether Yiddish, Spanish, Italian, begin to flourish.

This season the Yiddish Theatre Ensemble, determined to overcome all obstacles prepares to do it again. The play will be *Sholem Aleichem's It's Hard to Be a Jew*, renamed *The Tragedy Jest*. Saturday night performances throughout the season will be given at the well-equipped Barbizon-Plaza theatre beginning Nov. 10. It will be directed by Benjamin Zemach, well known director and performer. The ensemble will also present last year's Purim success *The Downfall of Haman*. It is also looking for an English play.

If memory serves me well, I was taken to see *It's Hard to Be a Jew* some 20 years ago when either Paul Muni or Ludwig Satz played the lead. We might have hoped that Hitler's defeat would have given the Aleichem classic historical significance only, but as things are, the theme still is contemporary.

Harry Rosen, secretary of the Yiddish Theatre Ensemble, said yesterday, that unless good plays are offered to the Yiddish public, the theatre "will die a slow death."

"Our group of 20 actors who are workers during the day," he continued, "are not interested in becoming professionals. We want to revive the sick and demoralized Yiddish stage, give playwrights a chance to write new plays and increase the size of the audiences."

The ensemble is "the revived Artef theatre," he insisted. And the same artistic standards will be maintained, said Rosen. The ensemble operates a workshop at 1 Union Square, Room 408, where classes in theatrical forms are taught. Young actors will be trained here in order to bring "fresh blood to the Yiddish stage."

"You know," he said, "no one in the Artef played without previous training. We intend to keep up these standards."

This group more than deserves the support of Jews and non-Jews who want to see art take a place where it belongs among the people.

number of divertissements.

Opening night will feature the return of Alicia Markova in the title classic role of "Giselle" in which she will be partnered by Anton Dolin.

A New Play By Tennessee Williams

You Touched Me! romantic comedy by Tennessee Williams and Donald Windham, presented by Guthrie McClintic, will have its New York opening next Tuesday evening at the Booth Theatre.

Suggested by a short story of the same name by D. H. Lawrence, *You Touched Me!* is Mr. Williams' first play to come to the stage since *The Glass Menagerie* which last season won for him both the New York Critics' Circle Prize and the Sidney Howard Memorial Award for the best play by a young American.

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Rap 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' Musical Scheduled for Bridgeport

BRIDGEPORT, Sept. 21.—Protest is mounting here against a scheduled showing of the revived musical version of *Uncle Tom's Cabin* on Sept. 28 under the auspices of Mayor McLevy's administration.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Negro Non-Partisan League, the Col. Charles Young Post of the American Legion, the Ministers' Alliance, the George Washington Carver Club, and the New Era Lodge of Elks have already protested officially to the Social-Democratic administration.

They state that the musical, with its whipping and bloodhound scenes, shows methods of dealing with Negroes which are best forgotten. Many individual trade union leaders, both AFL and CIO, have also requested the city to cancel the show, and more official action is expected from the trade unions and other

organizations. So far city officials, although calling themselves Socialists, have taken the attitude that the show will make money and that the Negroes are being too sensitive, so that there is really no reason to withdraw it. The protest is well-organized, and while all other methods will be used first, the organizations involved state definitely that if necessary they will put out a picket line to stop the performance.

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All-Star Jazz



BIAJ (Best in American Jazz), a new musical group headed by Specs Powell, popular jazz drummer, will present an all-star jazz concert at Town Hall this Sunday evening. Other members of the group who will perform are Teddy Wilson, pianist - bandleader, Frankie Newton, trumpet, Al Hall, bass, Buster Bailey, Clarinet; Don Byas, tenor sax, Stuff Smith, violin, Bill Coleman, trumpet.

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Pennsylvania Town Rallies Against Strikebreaking

By WALTER LOWENFELS

LANCASTER, Pa., Sept. 21.—The Conestoga Transportation Company today ran 15 of its 101 buses and cars through an AFL picket line. After a four-hour union strike meeting, a mass picket line of 100 strikers demonstrated in the town square.

They were headed by Harold Stoner, wearing a Purple Heart, carrying a flag, and by 10 other uniformed and decorated veterans. They carried placards saying "Down with Scabs." The results of a public mass meeting later tonight will determine whether a general strike will be called, according to Milo Messerman, president of the AFL Central Labor Union.

At a four hour CLU meeting last night, a CIO delegation, headed by Joseph Cramer, organizer for the United Rubber Workers, promised any support the AFL requested. Cramer said later that the question of a general strike was not discussed while the CIO delegation was present. It was the first time in many years that a CIO official had appeared at a CLU meeting here or anywhere else.

DEFER ACTION

CLU Vice President Messerman who chaired last night's meeting of 127 delegates representing all AFL locals in county, said the sentiment had been for a general strike call but that it had been decided to defer action. The issues will be brought before the public at tonight's mass meeting at which the mayor and company officials have been invited to speak.

Both AFL and CIO officials criticized the mayor for allowing police armed with big riot sticks to disperse pickets at the car barns and let the scab operators get out.

The transit strike started here September 1st over company refusal to include a renewal and compulsory arbitration clause in the new contract.

I visited Father George W. Brown in his rectory at St. Mary's Church. He was co-chairman of an erstwhile citizens committee which disbanded after the company ultimatum Wednesday notified workers they would be dismissed if they did not return to work.

He said: "This is a test case to see whether a company can defy a union and get away with it. Personally, I don't think they can. Labor is too strongly organized and is here to stay. All the other companies are watching because if one can get away with it, the others will think they can."

STATE AFL BACKING

Milo Messerman said the 200 members of Local 1241 of the Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees has the backing of the state AFL. "This is more than a Company-union dispute," he said. "It is vitally important to all organized Labor."

Local officers of the Lancaster Manufacturers Association denied there was any organized campaign behind the transit company's strike-breaking. However, the powerful Armstrong Cork Company, whose president, H. W. Prentiss, is a big shot in the National Association of Manufacturers, is located here, and it was learned today that at its Millville, New Jersey plant, had fired 200 striking CIO workers who had refused to return to work, a tactic similar to the one used by the local transit company.

Former Batista Official Murdered

HAVANA, Sept. 21 (UP)—Jose Hernandez Sants Cruz, former assistant chief of military intelligence in the Batista government, was shot to death by two unidentified assassins today.

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Frankenstein Meets Strikers: Richard T. Frankensteen (right), UAW vice-president, confers in Detroit with officials of the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Co. local in efforts to end the strike. Seated are Chester Mullins and Joseph T. Plaza, of UAW Local 174.

Strike Closes Detroit Chrysler Truck Plant

DETROIT, Sept. 21 (UP)—New strikes closed the Dodge truck plant of Chrysler Corporation and the Zenith Carburetor Division of Bendix Corp., today.

With 4,600 workers idle in the two disputes which started today, Detroit's automobile industry counted some 86,000 persons idle because of strikes and at least another 10,000 were affected across the nation.

Federal labor conciliation services, reinforced by seven experts arriving on orders from Washington, were unable to settle grievances as rapidly as new trouble flared.

Production was halted at the Dodge truck plant when 800 workers struck after another 2,200 had been laid off allegedly because of lack of parts from strike-bound supplying firms. The Bendix shutdown put 1,800 workers out when 40 foremen struck in a wage dispute.

Meantime, three General Motors locals of the United Auto Workers (CIO) at Flint, Mich., voted to petition the National Labor Relations Board for strike elections. General Motors employees at the Los Angeles Southgate plant said a strike vote had been authorized, with 99 percent of the UAW members favoring the ballot to enforce demands for a 30 percent pay hike.

Union efforts to settle the wildcat walkout of 4,500 UAW members were disrupted by a company cancellation of verbal agreements with the Kelsey-Hayes UAW local. The UAW said it was ready to negotiate a contract and see that it is enforced.

At Washington, Edgar Warren, new head of the conciliation service, said he had been told that auto industry disputes had been overrated. He said he expected early settlement of the Kelsey-Hayes strike.

Loft Building Strike Near; Hit WLB Report

A strike involving some 34,000 elevator operators and maintenance men in Manhattan loft and office buildings appeared likely as union officials rejected a Regional War Labor Board directive handed down yesterday.

David Sullivan, president of Local 32-B, Building Service Employees, AFL, in a press interview yesterday, said the union's general executive board would meet today on "preparations necessary to conform to the mandate of the membership."

Frank Nelson, president of Local 164, Loft and Office Superintendents Union, issued a similar statement.

The mandate of the membership, Sullivan explained, was to strike those buildings where employers refused to sign a contract with the union based on the War Labor Board panel report recommendations of last July 5.

He declared that already some

200 individual employers had signed with the union and that more might be expected to sign.

The recommendations of the July report, Mr. Sullivan said, differ a good deal from the recommendations of yesterday's regional board report which the union says is "completely unacceptable."

For one thing, he said, a weekly pay reduction of approximately \$2.50 would accompany the reduction in hours from 48 to 40.

Other demands on which the WLB recommendations fell miserably short of what the union asked were on union security, holidays, vacations, strikes and lockout provisions, arbitration, severance pay, sick leave, and health and benefit funds.

The building service employees in midtown Manhattan have been working without a contract since Feb. 4 and in other sections of the city since April 20.

More Refineries Shut In Spreading Oil Strike

CHICAGO, Sept. 21 (UP)—The spreading strike of oil workers closed down another great refining area today and forced Toledo, O., to resume gasoline rationing.

Effective tomorrow, only essential users will be able to purchase motor fuel in Toledo, the new refining area hit by the strike of the Oil Workers International Union (CIO) which has taken nearly 25,000 refinery and pipeline workers from their jobs in six states to enforce demand for a 30 percent wage increase.

Blanket Indictments Name Gestapo, SS

NUERNBERG, Germany, Sept. 21 (UP)—U. S. Associate Supreme Court Justice Robert H. Jackson, American prosecutor on the War Crimes Commission, announced today that blanket indictments were being drawn against the German Gestapo and SS troops.

Report Annamites Fighting in Indo-China

SAIGON, Indo-China, Sept. 20 (Delayed) (UP)—Reports from Tonkin in northeast Indo-China said today that fighting has broken out there between the French and Annamite nationalists. Tension here was increased by an Annamite boycott against the French.

Izvestia Flays Anglo-French West Bloc Scheme

LONDON, Sept. 21 (UP)—The Soviet press is criticizing strongly French-British efforts to form a western European bloc of nations, which Britain claims is an economic necessity.

Moscow's Izvestia charged the plan "undoubtedly conceals a desire not only to undermine trust in the Soviet Union but also for particular ends to sabotage the work of the Foreign Ministers Council."

Witness Identifies 25 Belsen Butchers

LUENEBERG, Sept. 21 (UP)—A Polish woman doctor, whose entire family was sent to slaughter at the Oswiecim prison camp, today identified 25 of the camp's officials and accused them of taking part in the mass selection for murder of 4,000,000 prisoners.

In a dramatic courtroom scene at the trial of 45 commanders and guards of the Oswiecim and Belsen camps, Mrs. Ada Dimko, Jewish doctor, called 15 of the defendants by name.

Terrorism Breaks Out in Iran

MOSCOW, Sept. 21 (UP)—Soviet press dispatches today told of terrorism and anarchy in Iran, in Teheran and in regions north of the capital.

A Tass news agency dispatch said the main streets of Teheran were filled with soldiers and police who have taken control of power sources, radio and telegraph stations and many factories.

(A United Press Teheran dispatch said Iranian Foreign Minister Arashirwan Spahbodi told the Iran parliament Thursday that Soviet Ambassador Maximov informed him officially that Soviet forces left Teheran Wednesday. Maximov also told Spahbodi that Soviet censorship in Teheran had been "officially lifted" according to instructions from Moscow.)